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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	AO	CN 1202641A	12/23/1998	China (with Abstract)		Corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,055,390
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OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

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